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Full Name: ......……………………………………………………………………………………....

Address: ......……………………………………………………………………………………....

Postal address: ..............................................................................................................................

Email: ....………………………………………………………………………………………....

Occupation: ......................................................................Ethnicity(optional)............................

Phone: ................................................................Mobile:...............................................................

Reason I am applying to be a Member:

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Which kindergarten or service do you associate yourself with?

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Please tell us about any specialist knowledge, experience or skills you have which may be of interest to the Board and which you would be willing to share if the opportunity arose:

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I declare that in making this application:

* I meet the association’s membership criteria (see over page)
* I have no criminal convictions or pending convictions resulting or potentially resulting in imprisonment
* I will abide by the Membership obligations of Napier Kindergartens (see over page)

Signed:....................................................................................Date:................................................

**Office Records**

Date Membership approved:.................................... Membership Number:....................................

Date Member notified of outcome:........................... Membership Fee:...........................................

Date Membership ended:......................................... How Membership ended: ..............................

**Membership Criteria**

Any person who meets the following criteria may apply to be a Member:

* you are 18 years or older
* you are of good character and reputation in the community
* you have an interest in early childhood education and/or supporting Napier Kindergartens
* you have no criminal convictions for which you have been imprisoned
* you have no criminal convictions pending for which you may be imprisoned
* you have no prior declarations of bankruptcy, insolvency or made an agreement with creditors to only pay off part of a debt to avoid bankruptcy
* you are not an employee of Napier Kindergartens

**Membership Obligations**

Membership of Napier Kindergartens carries with it the following obligations:

* All members shall promote the interests and purposes of the Association and not bring the Association into disrepute
* Members must abide by Association Rules, by-laws and policies
* Members must not enage in conduct likely to cause distress, embarrasment or concern to other Members, or members of the public
* Members must pay any Association membership fees, subscriptions or levies by due date unless the Board has excercised its discretion to allow payment by installments or reduced the amount payable on grounds of hardship
* Members must notify the General Manager of any changes to the information held about them in the Register of Members
* Board members must declare conflicts of interest or loyalty
* Membership resignations must be provided in writing to the General Manager
* Members must supply information requested about them for Association purposes (such as maintaining the Membership Register, General Meeting minutes and Membership fees, subscriptions or levies)

**Membership Rights**

Members, depending on their membership type, have the following rights as outlined in our Constitution:

* To attend, speak and vote at meetings
* To call Special General Meetings
* To give notice of motions for consideration prior to an AGM
* To receive, question and approve reports outlining the activities and financial positions of the Association
* To vote on remits presented at General meetings including proposed amendments of the Constitution, setting of Member levies, winding up of the Association
* To stand for certain positions within the Association (such as Board Member, Voting Member)
* To award Life Membership
* To make a complaint or grievance claim against another Member
* To have the opportunity to respond to any complaint or grievance claim in accordance with procedures outlined by the Constitution
* Members may view or obtain copies of certain information held by the Association
* Members may exercise the rights of membership only if subscriptions, fees or levies have been paid by due date

**Membership Fee**

Napier Kindergartens Membership fee is $ 1.00. If your application is accepted you will be advised of when and how payment can be made.

**Submit completed Membership application to:** gm@napierkindergartens.co.nz or mail to General Manager, Napier Kindergartens, P O Box 4298, Marewa, Napier or hand to Head Teacher your local kindergarten.